Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):* The reason is this. They were asked to submit their electoral rolls by the 30th of Karkadagam. Nobody opened his books or did any work till the 22nd Chingam. I sent two reminders to the Tahsildars, because I received two from the Huzur Secretariat and the Tahsildars in their turn sent reminders to the Revenue Inspectors and the Inspectors to the village officers. On the 23rd night I was camping in Kunnamkulam. I asked the Revenue Inspector and the Tahsildar why they did not submit the electoral rolls. They said they had been sending reminders after reminders to these village officers, and that till then they had not received any response. Then I issued an order fining one rupee for the default till that date and I gave three days' time from the 23rd to the 26th and ordered one rupee fine per day for any subsequent delay. I also warned them that if they did not submit the rolls by that time at the latest they would be placed under suspension. I further ordered that if they did not submit the rolls even on that day the Revenue Inspector himself will prepare the roll with the assistance of the other village officers and submit it to the Government so that the work may not suffer. They did not do it. Therefore they were suspended. They did not care for the work. The Tahsildar said he was helpless. So I had to take this course.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur—Rural):* Had this punishment any salutary effect upon others?

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):* I believe so. Thereafter I am getting reports quite promptly.

DISTRIBUTION OF INCORRECT TEXT BOOKS

236. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will Government be pleased to state whether the attention of Government has been drawn to an article in the *Janmabhoomi*, dated 15th Dhanu 1116 (p. 12) under the caption "ഫറയേണ്ടതു് അറിയാത്തതുമായ കുഴപ്പങ്ങൾ" complaining about the inconvenience caused to the pupils on account of the distribution of incorrect text-books?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Yes.

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237. മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. എ. രാമചന്ദ്രയ്യർ: താഴെ പറയുന്ന ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്കു് ദയവായി സർക്കാരിന്റെ മറുപടി പറയുമോ.—

(എ) നവീന ഗണിതസാരം എന്ന പുസ്തകത്തിന്റെ അഡ്വാൻസു് കോപ്പികളുടേയും മാർക്കറ്റു് കോപ്പികളുടേയും കടലാസു്

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കളിലും മറ്റും വ്യത്യാസങ്ങൾ ഉള്ളതായി ശ്രദ്ധയിൽപ്പെട്ടിട്ടുണ്ടോ;

(ബി) ഇതിനെ സംബന്ധിച്ച് ഫൻർ ഡിസമ്പർ ഫൻ-ാംതേ-യിലത്തെ "ജന്മഭൂമി" പത്രത്തിൽ ആക്ഷേപിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള വിവരം ശ്രദ്ധയിൽപ്പെട്ടിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

റാവുസാഹിബ് ഐ. എൻ. മേനോൻ:

(എ) ഉവ്വ്

(ബി) ഉണ്ട്.

I may inform the members that orders have been issued to replace free of charge any books that have been wrongly sold.

KURUMALI-THOTTIPPAL ROAD

238. Mr. Puthur Achyuta Menon *(Kattur):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether there was not the report of the Road Board that a new road must be undertaken from Kurumali to Thottippal;

(*b*) if the answer to (*a*) is in the affirmative, will Government be pleased to state whether the Road Board had not definitely recommended that this work should be taken up along with the work of Konthipulam road;

(*c*) will Government be pleased to state how far the Konthipulam road has progressed;

(*d*) will the Government be pleased to state when the Kurumali-Thottippal road work will be taken up?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):*

(*a*)&(*b*) The Board's decision on the subject is the following.—

"If possible, the improvements to the Kurumali Bund from the Chalakkudi road to Thottippal may be done along with and as a part of the Konthipulam road work."

(*c*) The work has been let on contract. Casting R. C. pipes and collection of materials are in progress.

(*d*) Due to paucity of funds, a definite assurance is not possible of being given at this stage.

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